

A Very Merry

Christmas

To One and All!

The Christmas Carol

By ALIX THORN

I, TOO, would join in singing
A carol old and sweet
And pause before some doorway
Which faced a splendid street,
And up to windows curtained,
Whose lights were sad and low
I'd raise my voice triumphant
In strains of long ago.
And those who sat in shadow,
Whose eyes were dim with tears,
Would listen to the story
Which glories the years.
So wonderful, so simple,
The feet of earth above,
About a child, who, coming
A winter night, brought love.

Salvation Army Christmas Week End

On Christmas Day at the Army Hall at 8 p.m., a service entitled "Adoration."

Sunday at 11 a.m. Holiness Meeting; at 2.30 p.m. Sunday School; at 7 p.m. Salvation Meeting, topic, "A Substitute Saviour."

On Monday at 6 p.m., a treat for the Sunday School children and mothers.
On Tuesday at 8 p.m., a prayer meeting, all welcome in spiritual fellowship.

On New Year's Eve, a watchnight service, from 11.30 p.m. until 1 a.m. on New Year's morning.

L.O.B.A. Elect Officers

L. O. B. A. Crescent Lodge No. 599, held their regular meeting on December 15th, with a large number present. An official visit was made by Mrs. Quick, R. W. P. G., Mistress of Alberta. Mrs. Quick installed the following officers for the year 1927:—

W.M.—Sister Glendenning.
D.M.—Sister Ash.
Chaplin—Sister M. MacKinnon.
Rec. Sec.—Sister M. A. MacKinnon.
Fin. Sec.—Sister Holmes.
Treas.—Sister E. Dunlop.
1st Lect.—Sister M. Dunlop.
Dir.-Cer.—Sister Thom.
Inner Guard—Sister E. Dunlop.
Outer Guard—Bro. Dunlop.
2nd Lect.—Sister Balloch.
1st Com.—Sister Burns.
Guardian—Sister Gillespie.

Mrs. Quick was then presented with a beautiful cut glass bowl. Much credit is due the committee in behalf of the banquet given in honor of Mrs. Quick.

The local branch of the W.I. have this week turned over \$82 to the secretary of the Relief Fund, made up as follows:—

Mrs. Lynch Stanton, District Director W. I. \$ 2 00
Mr. and Mrs. Le Roux 10 00
Donation from proceeds of Concert 50 00
Brevity is the soul of the butcher business.



HERO IN HARD LUCK
Tommy Holmes, Canada's youngest V.C., is believed to be dying of tuberculosis at his home in Owen Sound. He won his decoration at the age of 19 for attacking, single-handed, and putting out of business two German "pill boxes." Later he was gassed and suffered a shattered arm. He now has a wife and child, and a pension of only \$35 a month.

The steel gang, who are erecting the steel work for the power house at the lake, arrived on Monday of this week to commence their work. They expect to be busy on this job for about two months.

Concert Very Successful

The Community Concert held last Friday evening, under the auspices of the local branch of the Women's Institute, proved exceptionally popular with the large audience.

A varied program, consisting of songs, drills, humorous sketches, readings, etc., was ably presented by the pupils of Central and Cameron schools. Practically every number rendered by these juvenile artists was given in a most approved and finished style which left nothing to be desired, and reflected much credit on their instructors for their painstaking work. The feature movie shown by the theatre management was also much enjoyed by the large audience.

During an interval in the program, Miss May Gwen Brown was presented with the gold medal donated by the W. I. to the scholar in Grade VIII, receiving the highest aggregate marks at the midwinter examinations. Mrs. A. W. H. McLeod, honorary president of the Institute, made the presentation.

The total proceeds from the concert amounted to \$146.50. Incidental expenses were \$5.40, leaving a net balance of \$141.10. Fifty dollars of this amount has been turned over to the fund, being raised for the benefit of the dependants who lost their lives in the recent mine disaster. The balance goes to augment the swimming pool fund.

Exhibition Hockey Game on Christmas Night

A senior exhibition hockey game has been arranged for Sat., Dec. 25th, (Xmas night,) at the Coleman Crystal Rink, between the Blairmore Bruins and the Coleman Tigers. The total proceeds of the game will be donated to the hockey club.

Christmas Past and Present

Canada has celebrated many Christmas Days since first the white man came from across the Atlantic to settle on its shores. And not all these feasts of the past have been partaken of under the protecting wings of peace.

Time was when armed guards patrolled the stockades of early settlers, and keen eyed frontiersmen manned the loopholes of the block-houses against attack from marauding savages, the while assembled settlers ate their Christmas venison and drank sparingly of the precious red wine of Old France, carried to the New World in the tiny wind-driven ships of three hundred years ago.

Reason to Rejoice

Canada has reason to rejoice that in the year of grace, 1926, her sons and daughters are about to sit down to their Christmas dinner surrounded by comforts of which their forefathers may have dreamed, but never enjoyed.

In this, the twentieth century, speedy ships sail the seas of the world, carrying in their holds the fruits of the tropics to the Christmas dinner tables of the north; the silks of the Orient wherewith to grace the Christmas trees of Canada, the fragrant tea of China, the coffee of Sumatra, Java and Brazil, the toys of Europe, the products of the alpidry shops of Amsterdam.

What a contrast, when compared to the simple arrangements for Christmas of even fifty years ago. The tallow dip and the kerosene lamp have been relegated to the limbo of forgotten things, replaced by the cleanly and brilliant electric lighting of the present day. On the table are blue point oysters from Chesapeake Bay, goose and turkey, the sun-kissed fruits of California, and rare condiments to give zest to the feast of the year. And over all is spread the mantle of peace, no jarring note of war or alarm intrudes to break this harmony of Christmas Day.

Much to be Thankful For

Canada has much to be thankful for this Christmastide. She has become a nation in fact as well as in theory. Prosperity has perched itself on her rooftop. Her granaries are bursting with the accumulated gold of her harvest fields. The products of her work shops are being carried by her shipping to the uttermost ends of the earth. Her mines have broken all records in point of output. Sounds of political strife are no longer heard in the land. Happy Canada!

Let Joy be Universal

Yet, in Canada, as elsewhere, the poor. Sickness and misfortune have laid heavy hands on many Canadian families. These are conscious of no uplifting joy in viewing the approach of Christmas. They are thinking of a dinner table furnished with the bare necessities of life, of a Christmas tree that bids fair to be nothing but a hollow mockery of the glorious thing they would fain have it to be.

Canadians, sons and daughters of those who hewed an empire from out the primeval forests, whose ancestors strove against savages, battled against the privations of the wilderness share your joys with the poor and the children of the poor. Yield yourselves to the spirit of giving, and your happiness will be complete.

The Season's Greetings

Another Christmas, another opportunity to forget business and approach our friends and neighbors in a sincere spirit of fellowship and with expressions of seasonable good wishes.

THE JOURNAL

Takes this opportunity to wish its readers and advertisers a joyous and happy Christmas, and also that the prosperity and well-being of Coleman and its citizens will be better than ever during 1927.



WORLD'S WHEAT KING
Herman Trele of Wembley, Alberta who won the title of Wheat King of the World and also carried off the grand championship in oats at the International Grain and Hay Show, Chicago. Mr. Trele is only 31 years old and during the war served with the Air Force.

Tigers 9, Bulldogs 6

The above score tells the story of the result of sixty minutes of exhibition hockey played on local ice last Saturday evening between the Bellevue Bulldogs and Coleman Tigers.

The first forty minutes saw a brand of very mediocre hockey displayed by both teams, but improved somewhat during the final period.

Practically every member of the local team, with the exception of George Graham, the goalie, scored. Gate, the best man on the ice, got three in a row in the first period. The local boys had a decided edge on the visitors, and had it not been for the good work of Amos in goal for the Bulldogs, the score would have been more one-sided. Amos has all the ear-marks of a real goalie and should prove valuable to Bellevue before the season is over.

Both teams will improve with training, and if there is no untoward blow-ups, a very fair brand of hockey may be looked for at league games here this winter.

Gate and C. Graham, the "old boys," had it over the youngsters on Saturday, but the younger members of the Tigers should come ahead fast with coaching and practice, and round out a very good aggregation of puck chasers.

W. J. Tender Thanks

The Women's Institute wish to thank the Teachers for donating their time in extra-teaching and training the children, which made the Community Concert possible. The Coleman Journal for support and publicity, also Mr. A. Dow for the free use of the Grand Theatre and moving picture, Mayor Burns, and all others who helped to make the concert a success.

A Christmas Blessing

GOD bless the master of this house,
The mistress bless also,
And all the little children
That round the table go.
And all your kin and kinsmen
That dwell both far and near,
I wish a Merry Christmas,
And a Happy, Glad New Year.
—An Old Nursery Rhyme

Free Picture Show For All The Children

As will be seen from an advertisement on another page, the Coleman Elks are inviting all the children of the town and district to be their guests at a free picture show in the Palace and Grand Theatres Christmas afternoon commencing at 2 o'clock.

The Elks could not get Santa Claus to come to Coleman this year, but they did their next best, and secured Charlie Chaplin in the "Gold Rush." Every kiddie is tendered a personal invitation to attend, and see Charlie do his stuff in this well known dramatic comedy.

United Church Notes

The Christmas services at the United Church will be on Sunday next. The topic of the address in the morning will be "The Song of Simeon," taken from the story of the Nativity. In the evening instead of the usual sermon the Congregation will listen to the story of "The Other Wise Man" as told by Henry Van Dyke. It is hoped that there will be some extra music at this service.

The Christmas Tree program will be held on Thursday of this week, beginning at half past seven. The many who have contributed to the expense on the old plan are reminded that the staff of the Sunday School are trying to finance the affair this year by voluntary subscriptions. These may be handed to any member of the staff.

The religious side of Christmas need emphasis in these days. All members and friends of the congregation are urged to attend the services on Christmas Sunday.

If you are a family man and have little children in your home, go out into the hills and cut a Christmas tree. It will only take you ten or fifteen minutes, and remember, Christmas without a tree in the home for children, loses half its enchantment.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1926

CHRISTMAS

"The Three Wise Men saw His Star in the East and came to worship Him, bringing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, and the angels in Heaven sang 'Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth, Peace Good Will Towards Man'."

This, the birth of Christ, is the cause of the greatest and most far-reaching celebration in the christian world today.

No other day is the cause of such general goodwill, no other day do members travel so many miles in order to join the family circle and spend the festive season in the home.

At no other time does generosity in thought and deed and general unselfishness hold sway to such an extent in the heart of mankind. The unquestioning faith of little children adds its charm to all.

It is a wonderful, a magical time. From the lowly cottage to the royal castle, the Christmas spirit reigns. How much poorer mankind would be were there no Christmas.

The Journal takes this opportunity of extending, to one and all, Hearty Christmas Greetings.

OIL FROM COAL

More than 1500 engineers, fuel technologists, economists and statisticians attended the International Conference on Bituminous Coal, held at Pittsburgh two weeks ago. It was the first gathering of its kind, and of great importance. An outstanding feature of the proceedings was the practically unanimous conclusion that solid fuels, including the bituminous and lignite coals of all kinds, will, when natural petroleum sources are exhausted, prove to be the principal source of oil. This conclusion is of the greatest significance to Canada, and especially the province of Alberta, in view of our enormous coal resources.

One of the distinguished delegates at the conference was Dr. C. H. Lander, director of the British Fuel Research Board, and Ottawa engineers are to have an opportunity shortly, under the auspices of the Engineering Institute of Canada, to hear him speak upon the processes developed for the use of fuels. The address should be of the utmost value, for, as stated, Canada has vast coal deposits as yet untouched. If they are to be developed profitably, full advantage must be taken of the experiments and experiences of such men as Dr. Lander, who comes as one of the foremost authorities in the world on the subject he will talk upon.

Why all this noise about getting Alberta coal into Ontario, when Manitoba would use twice as much as it's using, if a freight rate could be made which would cut the cost to the consumer?

It is expected that the next budget of the federal government will bring about a further reduction in taxation. There won't be any complaints from even the opponents of Liberals on that score.

The meanest man opens up his pursestrings at Christmas time. Remember Scrooge.

Now Ontario is worrying about how they will handle the U.S. tourist traffic next summer.

That big hole in the family budget is where the turkey went through.



FIGHTS THE ICE DEMON
Dr. Howard T. Barnes, Professor of Physics at McGill University, Montreal, is experimenting with a special lamp that imitates the rays of sunlight, with which he hopes to stop the growth of anchor ice. Anchor ice forms at night at the bottom of open water.

Here and There

The third great international exhibition of leather goods will be held in Milan, Italy from January 22 to 29, and promises to be a greater success than either of the former exhibitions held in Europe. Business transacted during the first two exhibitions amounted to over \$13,000,000.

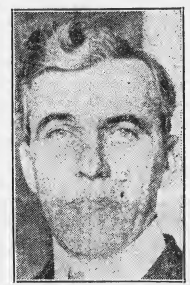
All taxes formerly required to be paid in Italy on hotel bills, baths and medical attention in health resorts, have been abolished, according to recent information given out by the Royal Consul General of Italy. Such information will prove interesting to tourists contemplating a visit to that country.

Quebec—What is said to be a record shipment of seals, 168 tons, left this port for New York recently, the last of eight consignments since the beginning of November, all for the same city. New Yorkers have acquired a partiality for the seal from the region below Quebec, and the trade is growing each year.

One of the largest farm sales in several months to a single immigrant family was recently effected in the purchase of a 720-acre tract five miles south-east of Brandon by a Lutheran farmer and four sons; the purchase price being \$28,800. According to Dr. A. T. Connell, the farm is well equipped with stock and buildings.

Sheep from the Prince of Wales' Alberta ranch, south-west of Calgary, are superlative, according to Walter Charles Priddy, of the Cordiale Sheep Co., Gridley, California. He has just purchased forty head of imported Shropshires from the Royal ranch, as well as fifteen from other flocks in the district.

Asbestos waste as a soil strengthener is the latest in the line of by-products. Early this year the Development Branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway undertook an investigation and inaugurated a series of experiments in the use of this material. Macdonald College actively co-operated and results so far show that this material has a real value when applied to certain soils.



MAJOR ALEX C. LEWIS
He has been appointed Clerk of the Ontario Legislature, succeeding the late A. H. Sydney. Major Lewis is a former member of the House for one of the Toronto seats.

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Sunday, Dec. 26th
2.30 p. m. Sunday School.
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And feels its courage strong.
A laugh is just like sunshine
For cheering folks along.

Too Much Hay

Vegetarian's Husband (timidly)
—"Do you know, my dear, I really think we ought to have a bit of meat once in a while. Three times last night I caught myself whinnying!"

Completely Ready

A Highland minister came to a lovely house on the margin of his parish to baptize the child of a shepherd who lived there.

"Are ye prepared?" he asked.
"Aye," said the shepherd. "I got a grand ham, ye ken, for dinner."
"No, No," said the minister. "I



The New York State Fair Commission is to present a silver cup to Hon. John S. Martin, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, in recognition of his winning the Poultry Championship of the New York State Fair for 21 years in succession. Hon. Mr. Martin, whose farm is at Port Dover, Ontario, is one of the largest and most successful poultry breeders in North America.

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"Aye, aye, minister. I got a quart frae the linn."

Christmas Shopping

Lady—"How much will I have to pay for a pair of silk hose?"

Clerk—"About two dollars."

Lady—"They come rather high, don't they?"

Clerk—"Yes, but remember, you're a rather tall lady."

A Scotch Discovery

He was a canny Scot, and decided that an excellent method of saving money for Christmas would be to put a penny in a money-box every time he kissed his wife.

This he did regularly until the holiday came 'round, and on opening the box was amazed when out came not only pennies, but sixpences, shillings and half-crowns.

Thunderstruck, he asked his wife how she accounted for the miracle.
"Well, Jock," she replied, "it's no ivery mon that's an close-listed as ye are."

Sure

A Irishman visiting America was asked what he thought of prohibition.
"Well," he said, "it's better than no liquor at all!"

Lending a Hand to Mother Nature



1. Stripping the small Cut-throat Trout.
2. Two 200 potential cut-throats. Measuring the eggs into the open mesh baskets to the floating position hatchery units.

Unfortunately Mother Nature made no provision for the growing army of Isak, Waltons in her scheme of things. Man supplements nature in re-stocking the trout streams of the Canadian Pacific Rockies, through the agency of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, which conducts artificial Cut-throat spawning and hatching operation in the Rockies each spring.

Authorities have estimated that only about three percent of all Cut-throat trout, eggs naturally spawned, hatch. The reason given is the desire of fish spawning at other times to feed on the newly laid eggs with the result that the male Cut-throat, after driving off the enemies fertilizes the eggs too late, when they have absorbed so much water that they cannot absorb the fertilizing fluid.

From 87 to 90 percent of eggs artificially spawned at Banff and Spray Lakes hatch under artificial methods. This is how it is done:

Towards the end of March just

before spawning time the trout are caught in nets, stripped, and returned to the streams, while the eggs from the female and fertilizing fluid from the male Cut-throat are mixed. In ten weeks the young fry is ready for its new home in the trout stream where it reaches the length of over eight inches in about four years.

The annual spring harvest of Cut-throat eggs at Spray Lakes—each female giving from 800 to 1,800 eggs—is about three-quarters of a million. At present 824,824 Lock Leven trout eggs, 172,918 Lake Superior Salmon Trout, 615,906 Rainbow, and 5,600,000 Pickering eggs are hatching in the Banff Hatchery. The

hatch for 1926 will also include one million Cut-throat eggs imported from Wisconsin and 250,000 from Spray Lakes, making a total of over eight and a half million eggs hatching in the Canadian Pacific Rockies to provide sport for anglers.

The outstanding example of the good results accruing from this work began in 1914, in the growing annual catch of Lake Superior Salmon Trout at Lake Minnawanka, about nine miles from the C.P.R. Banff Springs Hotel, while Spray Lakes, an easy riding trip from the Hotel is still the favorite Cut-throat fishing area in the Rockies, where fishing is as good as ever in spite of the growing number of anglers.

Taxis in Foreign Lands Need No Speed Limit



(1) Still in use as in the time of Balzac the Propheet.
(2) The Pakistan cart, a very popular mode of conveyance.
(3) The camel-car of India, eldest taxi of all.
(4) The world-famous Rickshaws of Japan.

Imagine our modern cities without taxis, or worse still without a speed limit! One is accustomed to step into a taxi and reach a destination many blocks or miles away in the space of a few moments, yet within a speed limit or all would be chaos confusion with taxis running wild through the cities. Taxis and speed are two words synonymous in the United States and elsewhere. There are, however, many countries, especially in the Immortal East—where conveyances answering the same purposes for which no speed limit is needed, they move along in the leisurely way of the Orient, and yet meet the requirements of people in those ancient lands.

The sedan chair, said to be named from Sedan, France, where it was first made or used, is used extensively in China. It is made for carrying a single person and is usually borne on poles by two men. In Hong Kong

rickshaws are also used on the lower levels of the city, but the sedan chairs are used on the hills.

The Jirikshas of Japan, is the nearest approach to a taxi, for this thing that at times nearly hovers over, is the man-taxi of the East, the rubber-tired, brass-lamped, white cushioned vehicle.

Possibly Peking has the greatest collection of strange foreign taxis of any city. Through the Chien Men—the front door of Peking, come strings of double-humped, long-haired Bactrian camels from the Gobi Desert, bringing the very breath of the desert with them and all the mystery of the Mongolian wastes.

The next vehicle that may enter the Chien Men—the mouth of that fabled dragon whose eyes are two of the other nine gates, and whose body is the breathing city itself, is the Peking car. This is drawn by a

little grey donkey, with a string of clear ringing bells. This is a small compact two-wheeled springless contrivance covered in hide and it is sometimes drawn by mules arrayed in silver harnesses. A similar conveyance is also favoured by the Japanese who call it a "doko".

The camel-car of India is about the oldest looking taxi of them all, and it never breaks the speed limit. Camel-back, too, is a very popular mode of transport, and not too bad for short distances. The native woman, also, play the part of taxi in India, as the sight of them with their large salt sacs on their backs and starting off for hotels at a fair rate of speed is just one of the unusual things which passengers on the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Scotland will see, on the Round the World Cruise this winter, which leaves New York on December 2 and returns on April 12.

As the twig is bent so's your old man



WORLD'S RECORD HEN
A full view and a close-up of S. C. White Leghorn No. 6, which laid 351 eggs in 364 days at Agassiz, B.C. This bird, which laid for 213 consecutive days without a break, was bred and is owned by the University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

Here and There

Fifteen head of shorthorn stock owned by the Prince of Wales at his ranch near High River, Alberta, were purchased for the Kirkwood Farm in California, according to an announcement made by Prof. W. L. Carlyle, manager of the Prince's ranch.

Canada's largest muskrat ranch is now being established at Swan Lake, about 40 miles west of Quesnel in central British Columbia. There are about 4,000 muskrats on the farm now and it is estimated that the ranch will eventually have an annual output of 50,000 pelts.

The S.S. Emperor of Port Moresby, purchased by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and renamed the S.S. Nootka, sailed from Montreal recently for Newfoundland and will thence proceed to Vancouver via the Panama Canal to join the Canadian Pacific coastal fleet. The Nootka will be operated on a cargo service between Vancouver and Skagway, Alaska.

Edmonton.—The first plant in Canada, outside of British Columbia, for the freezing of fish, poultry and eggs under the Otteson process, will be operating in this city by June 1st, according to P. Johnson, managing director of the Johnson Fisheries, Limited. His firm paid \$10,000 for the rights of the territory. The initial capacity of the plant will be fifteen tons a day.

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MONARCHISTS IN GERMANY BUILD UP SECRET ARMY

Berlin.—Charges made in the Reichstag that a secret monarchist military clique is building up a huge illegal reserve army in Germany with munitions and aeroplanes hoarded in Germany and Russia faced the bourgeois coalition cabinet of Chancellor Brüning.

Philipp Scheidemann, head of the Socialists, who were in the Reichstag, demanded that the present cabinet be replaced by one in which every member was a Republican.

He presented a motion of non-confidence in the government but the fate of the cabinet remained in the balance when the Reichstag adjourned.

Denouncing secret troops for giving moral, if not financial, support to German militarists, he declared that as late as last September and October, four ships loaded at Berlin from Leipzig with munitions manufactured in Russia for a secret German army.

While the Nationalists shouted: "Traitor! Backward! That's treason!" and Chancellor Brüning, surrounded by his cabinet, declared the truth of the charge, Scheidemann cited names, places and figures which he said showed that defence minister Brüning was a "tool of the monarchist clique."

As Scheidemann made his accusations the Nationalists, joining to the diplomatic line in which foreign representatives were seated, cried: "Who revealed these things to our enemies?" They then left the chamber.

Scheidemann charged that a secret military chief of staff existed in the ministry of war, which since 1922 followed 700,000 men, annually for the secret manufacture of arms and the establishment of a junkers' airplane factory in Moscow, which went out of business after burning several hundred planes for German use.

"The German people want peace and reconciliation with the allies," he declared, "but the military activities of the Nationalist elements endanger that peace."

Following representations made to the board, and an investigation, it was stated everything possible will be done to facilitate the movement from the Reichstag to the Reichstag.

The quantity of dump grain still in country elevators and in farmers' hands is estimated at 25,000,000 bushels, with the bulk of it in North Eastern and South Eastern Saskatchewan.

Christmas Gifts of Coal
London.—Christmas gifts of coal will be added to the usual remembrances given by King George V. to many of his neighbors at Windsor.

Revenue From Gold Refining
Ottawa.—A revenue of about \$75,000 for refining gold from Ontario mines will likely accrue this year, according to A. J. Baker, chief clerk of the Royal Mint here, in an address to a local club.

New Minister to U.S.
Ottawa.—Honorable Vincent Massey, Canada's minister to the United States, will it is expected, take up his work in Washington some time late in January.

The Christmas Tree

Custom Apparently Originated in Germany in the Seventeenth Century

London.—The origin of the Christmas tree is said to center in the union of two elements—the old Roman custom of decking houses with laurels and green trees at the Kalends of January, and the popular belief that every Christmas, all apple and other trees blossomed and bore fruit.

In England there is an old belief in tree blossoming at Christmas connected with the well-known legend of St. Joseph of Arimathea. When the saint settled at Glastonbury, he planted his staff in the earth and it put forth leaves. Moreover, it blossomed every Christmas Day.

The first historical mention of the Christmas tree is found in notes of a certain Strasburg citizen of unknown name written in the year 1605. "As Christmas," he writes, "they set up a tree, the parlor at Strasburg and hung thereon, roses, cut of many colored papers, apples, wafers, gold and sweets."

The Christmas tree was introduced into France in 1810. In 1830 between 20,000 and 25,000 are said to have been sold in Paris.

In England it is alleged to be in 1578, but its use did not become at all general until 1840 when Queen Victoria and Prince Albert had a Christmas tree.

The original Christmas tree was intended to be a thing of beauty and radiance—a thing of wonder, shining with countless lights and glittering ornaments, with gifts of gold and shimmering festoons of silver. No gifts were hung from its boughs. These were laid apart on a table.

Demand For Flax Straw

Minnesota Factories Looking to Saskatchewan and Manitoba for Supply

Regina.—Flax straw is now in considerable demand in the United States, and there is good prospect of Saskatchewan farmers finding a market for their flax straw, according to word received by Thomas S. Acheson, general agricultural agent for the C.P.R. from the Minneapolis General Agent, and passed along, by Mr. Acheson to F. H. Auld, deputy minister of agriculture for Saskatchewan.

Two big Minneapolis concerns, the Plaxman Insulating Company, and the Minneapolis Manufacturing Company, are finding the local flax straw supply insufficient, and are extending their purchases into Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and Mr. Auld suggests that farmers who have flax straw should hold their stocks of it for a while.

Large Sums For Pensions

\$33,005,471 Paid Out for Year Ending March Last

Ottawa.—The total liability of the Dominion Government for the pensions act (Great War) for the year ending March last, was \$32,905,471, the report of the board of pension commissioners, tabled in the House of Commons, shows. This is an increase over the amount of the year before, of about \$1,500,000. This increase, the report says, arose from new regulations.

The total number of disability pensions to war veterans was 16,285 at the end of last March, and the number of pensions to dependents of deceased members of the force 20,065. The great majority of the disability pensions lie in Canada. The pensions issued by provinces include: Saskatchewan, 2,927; Alberta, 2,656; British Columbia, 5,737.

Xmas Or Christmas

Campaign Started in New York to Eliminate Use of Xmas
New York.—Youngsters may not mind whether it is spelled "Xmas" or "Christmas," so long as Santa Claus makes his annual visit with toys and candies, but a campaign has started to eliminate the use of Xmas as being contrary to the reverence due to the word.

Several clergymen will speak against the use of the abbreviated word from their pulpits in this city and there will be no religious services of the same purpose. The sponsors of the move hold that Xmas has a "subtle tendency to destroy the beautiful thoughts in connection with Christmas as well as to bring the name of Christ to the very brink of contempt."

Trade in Christmas Trees
Vancouver.—During the last week of November more than 75,000 evergreen trees were shipped from Vancouver Island to the larger cities of the south-western United States for the Christmas trade.

Foresee Increase In British Immigration

Applications Already Received Nearly Double Those of Last Year

London.—Immigration from Britain to Canada next year will show a record increase, in the opinion of J. Bruce Walker.

The applications already received are double those for the corresponding period of last year, and although many may not fulfil the qualifications demanded and therefore must be eliminated, those in closest touch with the situation believe that the net result will be a tremendous increase in immigration.

Mr. Bruce Walker refuses to estimate the actual numbers, saying it is impossible to do so at present but expresses himself as being very pleased with the prospects, particularly with regard to family immigration. It is obvious that the coal mines will never be able to absorb the 300,000 men who are now out of employment, and this should serve to stimulate immigration.

FEDERAL HOUSE IS ADJOURNED TILL FEBRUARY 8

Ottawa.—Final reading was given in the House of Commons to the supply bill totalling \$4,590,350, representing the balance of the amount of the estimates for the fiscal year ended March 31 next. Business of the House was then suspended, when the Commons adjourned to the Senate chamber where the Royal assent of the Deputy Governor-General was given the supply bill.

The bill was given royal assent in the Senate by Chief Justice S. A. Duffin. It passed both Senate and House of Commons shortly before the ceremony.

Immediately afterward the commons re-assembled and formally adjourned for Christmas recess.

In the course of the brief discussion on the bill, J. S. Woodsward, Labor Minister, declared that the Commons already had been made by organized bodies of labor and farmers against the policy of cash training.

He asked that the Minister of National Defence, Hon. J. L. Ralston, to take these protests into consideration in the preparation of next year's estimates.

When the House opened, the motion fixing the date when the members would re-assemble after the Christmas recess on February 8, was carried.

Hon. Hugh Clark, Conservative leader, suggested the bill be made earlier, but Premier King explained the intervening time was required by government to prepare the business to be proceeded with when the House re-opens.

Will Meet February 10

Edmonton.—The Alberta Legislature will meet February 10. This date has been definitely fixed by the Government with a proviso that it may be postponed one day if conditions now unascertained make it necessary. Preparations will be made at once for the earlier date and notices will be sent members in the usual way.

Saskatchewan Publicity Chief

Mr. F. Kerr, Saskatchewan Publicity Chief, has resigned that post to accept the position of commissioner of the Bureau of Publications for the Province of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Kerr, who has been in the position of publicity chief of the Saskatchewan Government since 1921, will leave for Winnipeg at the first of the new year as publicity man for the province.

Previous to taking over the Red Cross commissariat, Mr. Kerr was editor of The Regina Leader for 20 years. His first newspaper work in Western Canada, was with the Free Press in Winnipeg. He left that paper in 1911, and came to the Saskatchewan Government as publicity chief.

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Divorce News Banned

Newspapers of Great Britain Not Permitted to Publish Details

London.—Newspapers of Great Britain in the immediate future will be prohibited the publication of details of divorce and other matrimonial court cases as soon as the King carries out the formality of signing a bill which passed its final stage in Parliament.

The bill as adopted by the House of Commons several days ago provides that the proprietor, editor, printer or publisher of any offending paper will be liable to four months' imprisonment and a fine of \$2,500. The House of Lords inserted an amendment to safeguard the printer of legal headlines. This amendment was accepted by the Commons.

Receive Government Grant

Albert Gives \$2,500 to Empire Metallurgical Congress

Edmonton.—A grant of \$2,500 has been made by the provincial Government to the Metallurgical Congress of the Empire, which is to visit Alberta next summer, in the course of a Canadian tour. The meeting of this body will begin in the East, August 22, and will continue in the following month the delegates will come to this province. They will have an Alberta itinerary covering Edmonton, Jasper Park, Coal Branch, Sturges, Lethbridge, Turner Valley and Pandit and Crow's Nest Pass, at each of which points they will make stops of varying length.

Manitoba's Population

Estimated Population is now Placed at 423,025

Ottawa.—Manitoba's population is estimated at 423,025 in a bulletin issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. This represents an increase of 2,826 over 1921. Urban population has increased by 16,573 and rural population by 12,555.

This year's figures are divided between an urban population of 278,195 and a rural population of 144,830. The following is the present population of Manitoba's cities: Winnipeg, 151,598; Brandon, 16,442; St. Boniface, 14,177; and Portage la Prairie, 6,513.

BIG PROGRAM OF RAILWAY WORK IS CONTEMPLATED

Ottawa.—Canada is likely to see a tremendous program of railway construction work next year. In spite of the constant talk of too much rail way mileage, Ottawa learns that there is to be a regular wholesale push into the wide open spaces.

The Canadian Railway's program is said to include a tap into the Peace River area, which has sprung into no small prominence lately. If the C.N.R. gets the right from Parliament to build this line it will probably be a regular main job, as the authorities have come to have unbounded faith in this new country.

Another C.N.R. proposal is not yet ready for presentation to Parliament, but the three-year program of practically young up, it is expected that another three year plan has been drawn which may include as many as a dozen branches in the West.

The C.P.R. is confining itself almost exclusively to Western work this year. Among the lines it proposes to build, and for which it is asking sanction of Parliament in a position presented to the Senate, are several in Saskatchewan, its program for the West follows:

- (A) From a point of connection with its proposed Rosemary north branch in the province of Alberta.
- (B) From a point at or near Lloydminster, on its Canadian-Whitford Lake branch in the province of Saskatchewan.
- (C) From a point at or near Regina on its Cukinik-Whitford Lake branch in the Province of Saskatchewan.
- (D) From a point on its Life Lake branch in the province of Saskatchewan.

Also extending the time for the completion of putting into operation of a line of railway from a point on its Manitou Lake branch in the province of Saskatchewan.

There is, further, application proposed on its Manitoba and North Western Railway Company of Canada "Prayer for the passage of an act authorizing the construction of a line of railway from a point at or near Theodor, in the Province of Saskatchewan." No further details of the proposed branch lines of the C.P.R. have as yet been submitted. When the bills covering them are introduced the plans will be available.

WESTERN COAL RATES HEARING IS SET ASIDE

Ottawa.—The board of railway commissioners has refused the application of Alberta and Ontario to set an early date for the hearing of the coal rates case, whereby the two provinces ask for early consideration of the freight rates on Alberta coal coming East. If later developments indicate a great urgency in this matter, the board may reconsider its ruling. It was announced.

Chief Commissioner McKinnon announced that after carefully weighing the pros and cons the board was unable to find sufficient reason for stopping the general freight of Ontario and if later on development of circumstances this possibility the board might give the question further consideration, but in the meantime the application would be postponed.

Toronto.—When informed that the board of railway commissioners at Ottawa had refused the application of Alberta and Ontario to set an early date for the hearing of their coal rates case, Premier Howard Ferguson of Ontario declared that Ontario would immediately reply for a hearing, basing her application on fresh grounds which he termed both "urgent" and "extraordinary."

"This thing is too important to drop," Mr. Ferguson said, "and we are going to push it to the utmost. We want to get this rate settled so that we can start to it as soon as it is obtainable while the rolling stock is free. Once I hear from our counsel at Ottawa I may have something further to say on this matter."

The Premier stated that the coal rates question, especially as it applied to shipments into Ontario from Alberta and Nova Scotia, would again be threshed out at a conference to be held in Toronto shortly after the New Year. If not before, Premier J. E. Brownlee, of Alberta, will attend and express his views on the western angle of the situation.

New South officials yet to be named, are also likely to be present.

Home Grown Christmas Gifts

Suggestion is Made as a Means of Promoting Trade

Ottawa.—As a means of promoting trade between Canada and other quarters of the British Empire, the federal department of the interior is urging that "home-grown products make excellent Christmas gifts."

In this connection the lead of the New Zealand dairy produce board, which suggested to citizens of that dominion that they send New Zealand butter to friends in Great Britain as a present, is being followed. Four-pound cartons are specified by the produce board, and a donor has been suggested so that those who wish to follow the suggestion may send their money and the name and address to which they wish the parcel sent, and all the rest will be attended to without further trouble to them. The produce board has been created, without extra cost to anyone.

The natural resources intelligence service of the Canadian department of the interior points out that this suggestion might well be copied by individuals in Canada, since probably no country possesses more distinctively national products. Canadian dairy products are rated as high as those of New Zealand, while her apples, maple sugar products and furs are possibly in a class by themselves.

Will Form Grain Pool

Ontario Organization Will Operate With Pools in Western Provinces

Toronto.—A wide flung energetic organization extending from one end of the province to the other, the grain pool of the United Farmers of Ontario will be established early next year. It is expected.

Harry A. Gilroy, of Alvinson, president of the U.F.O. Cooperative Society, declared in an interview recently that it is planned to organize a grain pool and not one for wheat alone. "We the farmers of Ontario will follow the lead of their brother agriculturists in the Western provinces."

"We expect to begin organizing the pool immediately after the New Year," he said. "Our plan is to work in close cooperation with the pools in the three Western provinces and cooperate with their willing organization at Winnipeg, as another unit of their association."

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Personal and Local

Charlie Chaplin in the "Gold Rush". Every kiddie is tendered a personal invitation to attend and see Charlie do his stuff in this famous comedy.

Miss Chrissie Allan of the local teaching staff, left Tuesday night for her home at Westlock, where she will spend the holidays.

School closed yesterday for the Christmas holidays, re-opening on Tuesday, January 4th. No, the kiddies are not superstitious. They will all enjoy their Christmas dinner even though they are getting 13 days free from their usual round of school work.

Mrs. J. McConaghy left on Sunday night passenger for Virdon, Manitoba, where she will spend Christmas with her parents.

Express Thanks

The Coleman Amateur Orchestra desire to thank all those who assisted on the program on Sunday night and others who in any way helped in making the relief concert the success it was. The total receipts amounted to \$43.65.

Mr. Wesley T. Watts, vice-principal of the local schools, is leaving to-day to spend the holiday season at his home in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Houghton and family, of Calgary, are in Coleman to spend Christmas with Mr. Houghton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Houghton.

Miss Adella Whitehead is home from College to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. S. Whitehead.

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There is someone who thinks of you often,

But tries to be brave and content. Fondly remembered by loving wife.

In loving memory of our dear father, Joseph Burns, who was killed in the mine at Coleman, December 21st, 1925.

Days of sadness still come o'er us, Tears of silence often flow,

Whilst we think of our dear father, Whom we lost one year ago.

Fondly remembered by sons and daughter.

Amateur Orchestra Concert

Another of the Orchestra Concerts with Mr. Pearson conducting, was given at the Grand Theatre last Sunday night. The chairman Mr. J. Emmerson, being efficient in his duties, soon had the orchestra producing beautiful strains of music.

The orchestra, assisted by a few artists from lower down The Pass played with fine spirit and much credit is due to them for organizing such a splendid concert.

Mrs. J. Ashbridge was heard in two lovely solos and proves to be a gifted artist.

A new arrangement of instruments was heard when the Sextet, composed of Violins, Mandolins and Guitars were heard. These were under the direction of Mr. W. J. Harris, and proved a very pleasing number.

Mr. Womersley, of Blairmore, sang two very attractive numbers and showed a fine talent.

Any comments upon Mr. W. J. Harris, violinist, who played two selections, is unnecessary, as every one knows the talent of this popular artist.

Mr. A. Phillips added a few more laurels to his name this night, his solos appealing to all.

The next number played by the Bellevue Trio was of the first rank, the selection being composed by Kreisler, the world's master violinist, and much technique was displayed.

Mrs. T. Davidson was found to be the owner of a wonderful sweet voice and did every justice to her selections.

"God Save The King" played by the orchestra brought to a close a splendid concert, the proceeds of which will be turned over to the Relief Fund.

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Weekly News

Programme for Week Ending, Friday, December 31st

Friday, Dec. 24th. Juvenile Hockey practice (ticket holders only) 2.30 to 3 p.m. General skating from 3 to 5 p.m. Senior Hockey practice from 7 to 8 p.m. General skating from 8 to 10 p.m.

Sat., Dec. 25th. World's greatest Fancy and Speed skaters, from 2 to 5 p.m. Admission, adults 50c, children 25c. General skating before and after. Band in attendance.

Mon., Dec. 27th. Juvenile hockey practice (ticket holders only) from 2.30 to 3 p.m. General skating from 3 to 5 p.m. Senior hockey practice from 7 to 8 p.m. General skating from 8 to 10 p.m.

Tues., Dec. 28th. General skating from 2.30 to 4 p.m. Senior

Hockey, first league game, Blairmore vs. Coleman, 8 to 10 p.m. General admission, adults 35c, children 15c. Doors open at 7.15 p.m.

Wed., Dec. 29th. Juvenile Hockey from 2.30 to 3 p.m. General skating from 3 to 5 p.m. General skating from 8 to 10 p.m.

Thurs., Dec. 30th. Juvenile hockey practice from 2.30 to 3 p.m. General skating from 3 to 5 p.m. Senior Hockey from 7 to 8 p.m. General skating from 8 to 10 p.m.

Fri., Dec. 31st. General skating from 2.30 to 4 p.m. Grand Fancy Dress Carnival from 8 to 10 p.m. Band in attendance. General admission, adults 25c, children 15c.

Phonograph, Records for Sale

For sale—Brunswick Phonograph, without finish, in splendid condition, together with a number of records, will be sold at a bargain. Terms to responsible parties. Apply to Journal Office.

Pincher Creek curlers lifted the Burns Cup last week when they defeated two Bellevue rinks 26-12. Messrs. Kelly and Gillespie skipped for Pincher and Key and Kerr for Bellevue.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

With grateful appreciation of all the favors received by us from you, and for that priceless, if intangible, asset—your goodwill, we seek to merit your continued confidence, and aim to serve you faithfully in the future.

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Every boy and girl of school age, and younger, who can get to either the Palace or Grand Theatres, will be admitted FREE.

This big feature will also be shown in the evening by the theatre management, when an admission charge will be made.